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In re Application of:

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For: SYSTEM CONSISTING OF BANK NOTE PROCESSING

MACHINES, BANK NOTE PROCESSING MACHINE AND

ASSOCIATED OPERATING METHOD

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 TO OFFICE ACTION OF JANUARY 28, 2009

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office Action dated January 28, 2009 in the above application wherein claims 1-81 are finally rejected.

In view of the following remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

An Information Disclosure Statement is concurrently filed herewith.